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## RESPONSE

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated April 19, 2005 and having a shortened statutory period for reply set to expire on July 19, 2005. Applicants submit the following response in the above-identified application. Applicants believe this response places the application in better condition for allowance.

In the Office Action, the Examiner states that Claims 1 and 3 are pending and Claims 1 and 3 are rejected. The claims are rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over the Applicants' prior U.S. Patent Nos. 5,763,356 and 6,364,943. To overcome these rejections, the Applicants herewith file a terminal disclaimer.

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In light of the foregoing response, all the outstanding objections and rejections are considered overcome. Applicant respectfully submits that this application should now be in condition for allowance and respectfully requests favorable consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

July 19, 2005 Date

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